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Honorable William Webster Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, D.C. 20505

Dear Judge Webster:

Under the Rules of the U.S. House of Representatives and the rules of the Committee on Appropriations, each Congress the Committee determines the jurisdiction of each of its subcommittees.

Last July the Committee assigned jurisdiction for assistance to the Nicaraguan Democratic Resistance to the Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs. This action removed this program from the jurisdiction of the Defense Subcommittee, although this subcommittee, of course, continues to have overall responsibility for the Central Intelligence Agency and its funding.

In the future, matters involving the Contras should be coordinated through the Foreign Operations Subcommittee, with the Defense Subcommittee kept informed in view of its overall responsibility.

I appreciate your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

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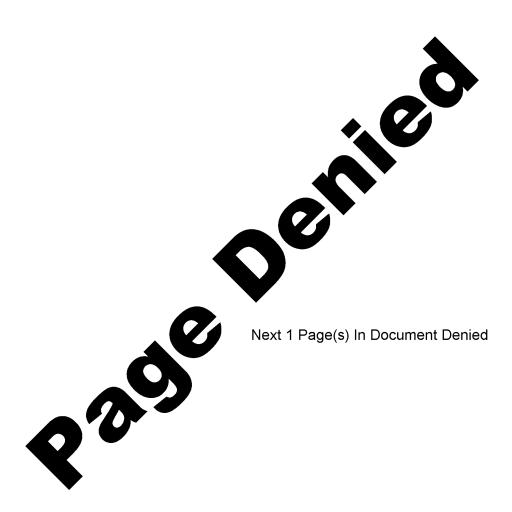
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        We noticed the deputy seemed to be accusing the U.S.
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quilty and we asked the deputy about this. (Monde) told us that he will sanction the guilty Haitians, whoever they may be, after the

Sovernment more than anything else, but many Haitians are also

press conference the day-before-yesterday. Our correspondent will give us details of the press conference.

Edegin recording Correspondents A 15-beaser delegation of deputies arrived in Gonaives on 24 February at 1500 to investigate the toxic waste that a group of greedy Haitians in complicity with the "Khian Sea" duaped on the Sedren wharf, approximately 4 Km from the town of Gonaives.

The delegation was headed by AnseranVeau deputy (Frantz donde). Other deputies who were part of the delegation were stephen Moise Ir from Gonaives; Dr Suy Theodora, Pignon; Jerald Lefort, Hinche; Joseph Brezault, Coteaux; (Joseph Paul Denis), Port-Salut; Guiteau Jean-Philippe, Arcshaie; Or Jocelyn Dortelus, Milot, Plaine du Nord; (Jean-Michel Richardson), Jean-Rabel; Serge Reaulieu, Cavaillon; duches prun, Gaint-Marc; and selair Normil, Estere.

The first person with whom the deputies wet was Raymond Latortue, director of the local port. They met with his to compile a dossier so that the investigation might be successful.

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The delegation also went to the Sedren whorf to see the poisonous garbage for themselves. Many people whose only fatherland is their pockets used [word or words indistinct] the Sedren wharf in the Gonaives area.

The 13 deputies then held a press conference on this issue at the (?Shougar Night Club).

Local authorities imposed a kind of black-out as soon as the ship left. The conditions for its departure remain a mystery to all.

The press conference was given by the 13 deputies, the prefect, communal magistrate, and 5 members of the Federation of Friends of Nature. It began at 1640 and was attended by approximately 150 people.

Gonaives deputy Stephen Hoise Jr. was the first speaker. He introduced his fellow deputies to the audience and asked everyone present to trust the deputies to work in the interest of the people.

Anse-a-Veau deputy (Frantz Monde), the head of the delegation, was the next speaker. He expressed the condolences of the entire nation to all the nepule of Sonaives for the terrible abuse Gonaives has received from greedy Haitians. He also discussed his talks on this matter with prominent Gonaives citizens.

(Monde) said the "Khian Sea" had entered Gonaives on the pretext that it was carrying fertilizer. He also said that the vessel was in complicity with the U.S. Government, which had given it false documents so that it could enter port.

After describing all the potential consequences of this waste on the lives of the people of Gonaives, (Monde) said he would inform the Ministries of Health and Mines of this matter. The deputy also promised to contact the Justice Department to find out how the vessel managed to depart despite the fact that the Department of the Public Prosecutor had ordered military authorities to forbid it to leave.

Furthermore, he said, all the sailors passports were in the hands of the authorities when the ship left. The deputies therefore think that the authorities must have given back the passports and that must be how these people managed to get away, leaving the toxic waste on the Sedren wharf.

He also spoke of damages paid to Gonaives by the firm that owns the "Khian Sea." He also said that he had to see the minister of commerce who delivered documents with his signature on them which said at the bottom: No need to inspect.

We remind listeners that Mario Celestin was the commerce minister back then.

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rebuilding the country. The basis of these measures will be a campaign to notivate the people and mobilize everyone in a national konoit [Haitian cultural tradition of cooperative effort similar, for example, to an American barnraising—FSIS].

All this must be done before the government prepares to begin its priority programs in the coming years to provide employment in the areas of irrigation, hill erosion protection, low-cost housing, roads, foodstuffs production, agricultural products marketing, etc.

As to employees who have not yet received payment for the aonth of January or even earlier, the finance minister explained that the checks were delayed because many government employees neglected to get their fiscal I.D. cards, and also because the names on the checks do not match the names on the employees I.D. cards. However, said the minister, all the January checks have already been prepared and distribution has begun.

Concerning the Haitians working on PL480 Fitle III projects, the reason they stopped paying them is that the U.S. Jovernment unilaterally decided to suddenly cut off aid. However, the Haitian Government is taking steps to pay these employees as soon as possible. They will get all the money oved to them for work performed before the aid was cut off...

Regardin? the waste affair, the government is very concerned about this waste, which is a threat to the health of the population of Gonaives and the entire surrounding area. It has taken the following measures:

It has ordered a wall erected all around the area where the waste das dumped, to prevent the population from approaching because it is dangerous. The population will be forbidden to approach the area.

It has sent a sample of the waste to European laboratories for analysis, and is expecting the results shortly.

It has received assurances from the U.S. Embassy that the U.S. Government is going to give all due consideration to the problem of the waste dumped in Sonaives by a private U.S. firm in order to take appropriate measures.

It is asking all specialized UN organizations to help it with this matter.

It is planning to draft a law on this watter in conformity with Article 258 of the Constitution. It is also planning to take measures in connection with this matter.

It asks the courts to continue the investigation to identify and prosecute everyone with any responsibility for this waste pusiness, regardless of whether the persons involved are foreign or Haitian.

As regards contraband, the Council of Ministers decided to take steps to really combat contraband, because this illegal traffic constitutes a challenge that prevents the government from organizing the country normally. The government is going to form a committee made up of representatives of several ministries to go back over the dossier and make recommendations. At the same time, the government is going to make a big effort to lower the cost of living.

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